

# TRAVEL SUPPORTS STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

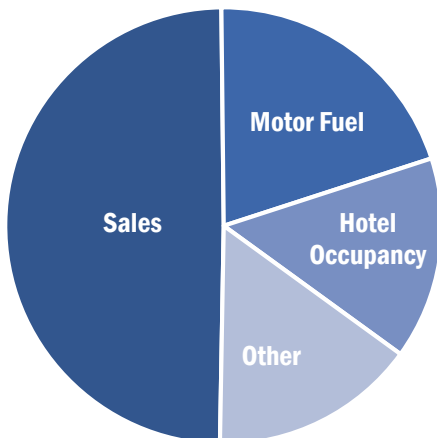
Travelers to and within Texas spent \$82.9 billion across the state, which contributes significant tax revenue to both state and local governments. Without travel, Texas households would each pay \$760 more in state and local taxes each year to maintain current levels of service.

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AND LOCAL TAXES ANNUALLY**

Travel spending generates revenue across many different categories with the largest share being sales tax followed by motor fuel, hotel occupancy and other taxes like auto rental, alcoholic beverage, franchise and cigarette and tobacco. Taxes generated by travel spending support public sector jobs like firefighters, police officers or teachers.

## **\$4.7 BILLION IN STATE TAXES**

Travel generated state taxes by tax type.



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## **BY THE NUMBERS**



**\$82.9 BILLION**

Direct travel spending by travelers to and within Texas in calendar year 2019



**\$4.7 BILLION**

State taxes generated by travel spending in calendar year 2019



**8.4%**

Share of state tax revenue generated by travel spending in FY19



**\$3.1 BILLION**

Local taxes generated by travel spending in calendar year 2019



**4.8%**

Share of local tax revenue generated by travel spending in FY19

**TRAVEL**  **TEXAS**